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1. Letnany - Kbely - Cakovice Area.

a. The sketch of observed military targets is shown on Annex
#1.

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b. On 18 September 1953 there were about 60 single-engine propeller
planes parked in area #8. One, [redacted]
[redacted] took off in direction #9. About 11 two-engine pro-
peller planes were parked in the area of buildings #3 and #4.
At the Kbely [redacted] airfield were about 25 two-engine pro-
peller planes; [redacted]

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c. On 23 September 1953 there were about 80 aircraft parked in
area #8. At Kbely airfield one jet plane landed at 9.30 a.m.
No other air activity was observed on either day.

d. No planes were observed on the Avia plant airstrip in Cakovice
[redacted]

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e. [redacted] military trucks were observed entering or leaving
the Letnany [redacted] airfield: [redacted]

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f. In area #12 there are 10 newly built one-story brick barracks.
The barracks are occupied by a military unit whose members wear
khaki uniforms and blue caps.²

2. Klecany - Vodochody Area.

a. The sketch of observed military targets is shown on Annex
#2.

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b. The Klecany [redacted] airfield is situated on both sides of the
Klecany - Drasty [redacted] road. The main part of the field is
on the eastern side of the road. The road is closed to public

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use. The airbase headquarters and an unidentified Air Force school are located in the Klecany Castle (#1). Enlisted men are quartered in a number of barracks (#5) west of the Klecany - Drasty road and adjoining north-west part of Klecany. Two large hangars and some administrative buildings (#2) are situated in the vicinity of the Castle.

c. On 26 September 1953 there were about 100 to 120³ aircraft parked in front of hangars. No air activity was observed.

d. An aircraft factory (#6) is located in the Vodochody [redacted] area.⁴ [redacted] the factory is used for assembling aircraft. During the Korean war the factory worked in three shifts. A period of stagnation came with the armistice in Korea. There are rumors among the employees that the factory will soon resume full production again. The factory has its own airstrip (#7) situated south-west of the Postrizin [redacted] - Klicany [redacted] road.

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3. Prague-Pohorelec Area.

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a. The location of observed military targets is shown on Annex 3.

b. On 21 September 1953 the Pohorelec Barracks gave the impression of being a supply center. In the courtyard enlisted men with infantry shoulder boards were loading uniforms on three-ton trucks [redacted].

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c. The house opposite the back entrance to Pohorelec Barracks is used for military purposes. The house is in Myslbekova street No. 162/9. The entrance is guarded by an unarmed guard. At 5 p.m. a Soviet field grade officer left the building accompanied by a Czech colonel, lt. colonel, and a major. The Soviet officer was driven away by Tatraplan [redacted] the Czech officers left by Tatraplan [redacted] Tudor [redacted], and Tudor [redacted].

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d. On 22 September 1953 Petrin Barracks were observed. Only a few officers and enlisted men with black and brown shoulder boards were seen in the Barracks. The following military vehicles were observed in the courtyard: 3-ton trucks [redacted].

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4. Air Activity in Ceske Budejovice Area.

On 13, 14, and 15 September 1953 daily a group of eight jet aircraft was observed flying from Ceske Budejovice [redacted] airfield. The airfield, [redacted] was modernized and has underground structures. Three Soviet Air Force officers had their dinner on each of the three days at the hotel Slunce.

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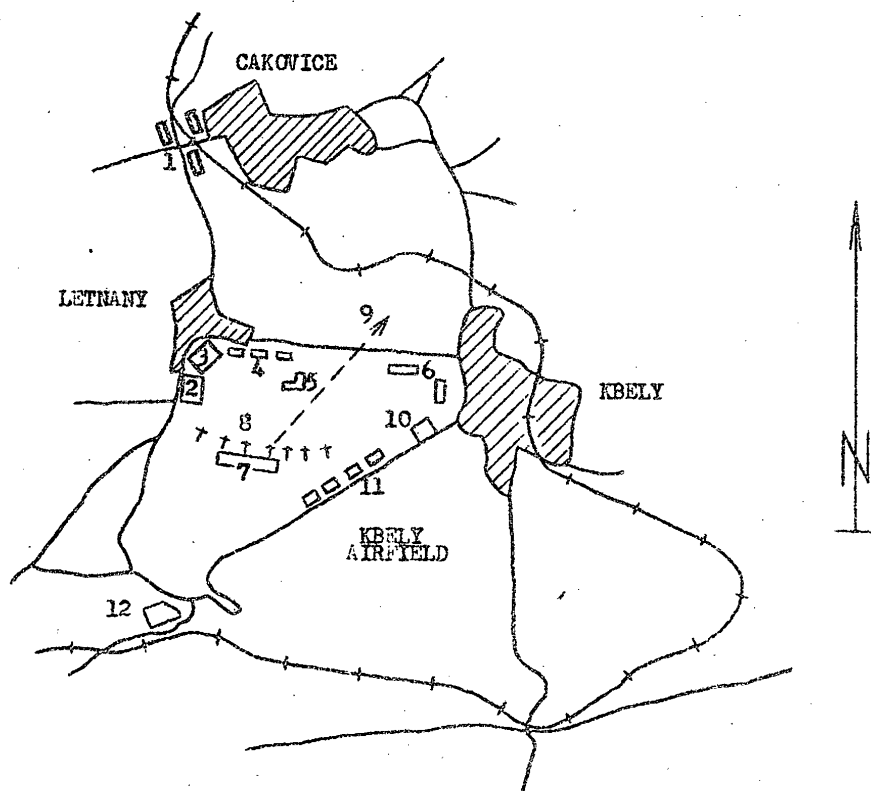
1. [] Comment. The identification letters TU denote the Reconnaissance Regiment. 50X1-HUM
2. [] Comment. The VS (Vnitřní stráž - Internal Security Guard) wear khaki uniforms and blue caps. 50X1-HUM
3. [] Comment. The number of observed aircraft is probably exaggerated. 50X1-HUM
4. [] Comment. Rudy Letov in Letnany was previously reported to have a branch plant in Vodočehy. 50X1-HUM
5. [] Comment. The Pohorelec Barracks housed the 151st AAA Regt. [] did not observe any members of this unit. 50X1-HUM
6. [] Comment. Military Prosecutor's offices were known to be in this area.

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Annex # 1.

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Sketch of Military Targets in Letnany - Kbely - Cakovice Area

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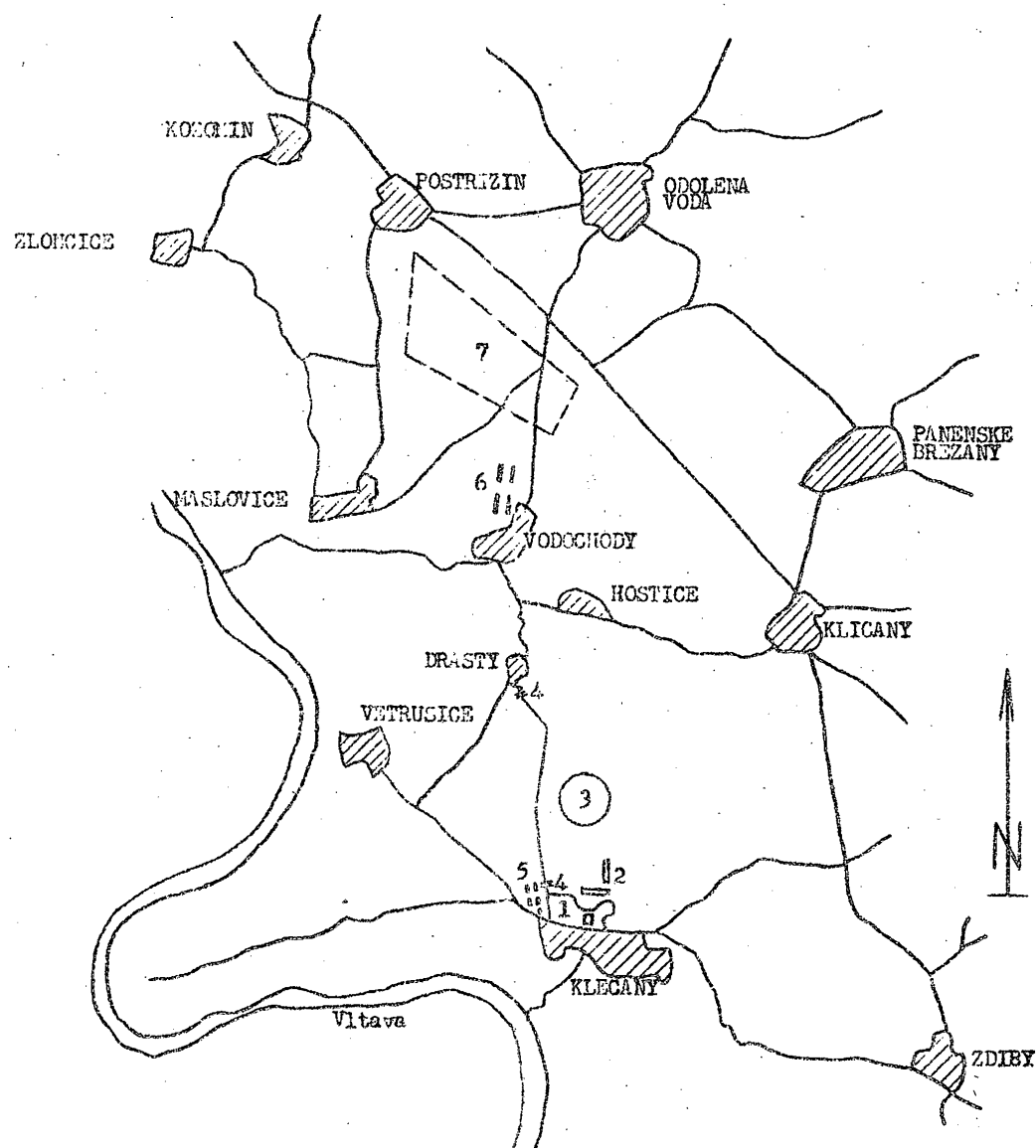
All markings of buildings show rather an area than the actual shape.

- 1 - Aircraft factory Avia, Cakovice
- 2 - Air Force buildings
- 3 - Aircraft factory Rudy Letov; administrative buildings
- 4 - Aircraft factory Rudy Letov; three assembly halls 100x50m each
- 5 - Unidentified building
- 6 - Two aircraft repair halls
- 7 - Hangars and aircraft armament test shops
- 8 - Parker aircraft
- 9 - Direction of observed take off
- 10 - Aircraft electric equipment factory PAL
- 11 - Air Force barracks
- 12 - Ten new military barracks

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Annex # 2.Sketch of Military Targets in Klecany - Vodochody Area

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All markings of military targets show rather their approximate positions than their actual shape.

- 1 - The Klecany Castle; the Klecany airbase Hq and Air Force school
- 2 - Two large hangars and administrative buildings
- 3 - The airfield
- 4 - Road barriers and guard posts
- 5 - Air Force barracks
- 6 - Aircraft factory
- 7 - Factory airstrip

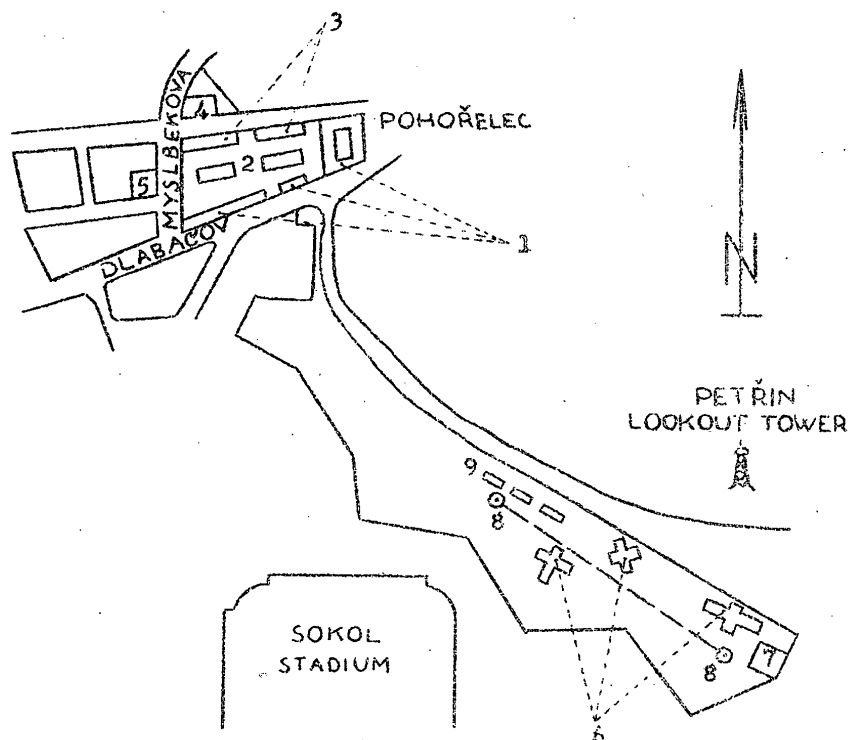
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Prague-Pohorelec and Petřín Military Barracks



Scale : 1:7,500

Legend:

- 1 - Four-story barracks
- 2 - Garages
- 3 - Storehouses
- 4 - Barracks
- 5 - Military offices
- 6 - Brick buildings
- 7 - Area of wooden barracks
- 8 - Radio masts connected by antenna
- 9 - Three store huts (corrugated iron)

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